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did it appear that they would be willing to at some time accept their responsibility and, in fact, start to pay their own way as far as the cost of the cleanups and all that? That's my real concern about this. It isn't so much getting the start-up. It's can you...do you have an indication that there will be an attempt by yourself and others to try to get this funded by the people who are causing the problem? That's my real concern, as you well know. I think the idea is great. It's just every time we have a problem we ask the state to solve it, and sometimes we don't have any money. And I guess I'm just concerned, do you think, and I'll go back to my original question, do you think there is a possibility that these people are willing to accept it somewhere down the line?

SENATOR PREISTER: Senator Vrtiska, I...it is my goal to continue working. This is not the end and somehow I must have misunderstood legislation because once it gets passed, I tend to give more work rather than moving on to other things. I've been working on this for a number of years. The component that I'm most concerned about is...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...the planning, the planning and the preparation in advance, and I am committing to you that I will continue working to find those other funding sources. It wasn't my goal to seek General Funds. It is a fallback position, and I will address that a little more on my time.

SENATOR VRTISKA: But you think it's going to take three years for you to get accomplished what you...that's what I understand your bill will be, for three years? You think it's going to take three years to get that accomplished?

SENATOR PREISTER: I think in three years we should be well along the road. We should continue the discussions. I think that will give us the time that we need. Yes, Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: All right, thank you for your time.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Schimek, on the committee amendment.